

REMARKS

Claims 1-62 are currently pending in the application. The Examiner has required an election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 of one of the following inventions:

Group I: Claims 1-55, drawn to an apparatus, classified in class 606, subclass 80; and

Group II: Claims 56-62, drawn to a method of use, classified in class 606, subclass 80.

The Examiner contends that the inventions of the above Groups are distinct, each from the other.


In order to be fully responsive, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I, pending claims 1-55, drawn to an apparatus, classified in class 606, subclass 80. Applicant respectfully reserves the right to pursue the invention of the nonelected group, as originally claimed, in a divisional application.

An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Applicant requests that the Examiner call Fritz Klantschi at (212) 326-3419 if any questions or issues remain.

Respectfully submitted,

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